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COSTA RICA.

Report from Limon, fruit port—Yellow fever—Precautions against infection of fruit vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports as follows:

Week ended September 22, 1906. Estimated population, 5,000; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, infected. Since September 11, when 2 cases and 1 death of yellow fever were reported, the second case has slowly improved and may now be declared convalescent, tho very weak. No other cases have been found.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

| Date | Vessel. | Destination. | Number of crew. | Number of passengers from this port. | Number of passengers in transit. |
|------|-----------|--|--------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | 0 Preston | New York New Orleans New York New Orleans | 74 31 55 | 0 18 0 2 0 0 | 0 0 0 0 0 |

One bill of health for a Panaman port was viséed.

September 25. Another case of yellow fever has occurred in Limon in the person of a Costa Rican youth, a clerk in a store situated about 400 feet from the Italian lodging house from which the last 2 cases came. He slept in a rear room of the store. Both store and room have been fumigated, but not the adjacent stores, nor the upper story of the building. The patient was taken to the hospital September 22, on the second day of his illness.

The special regulations governing fruit vessels in infected ports are observed. The piers at which fruit vessels load are several hundred feet from shore, and orders forbidding the presence of exposed stagnant water thereon are strictly enforced, thus preventing the invasion of the pier by mosquitoes from land, or their propagation if by chance brought by the ships.

CUBA.

Reports from Cardenas—Transactions of Service—Sanitary conditions.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ives reports, September 24, as follows: Week ended September 22, 1906. One vessel in port, a schooner which brought a cargo of lumber from Mobile, Ala., and after discharging returned to same port for another cargo. No infectious diseases were reported during the week.

Week ended September 30, 1906. No vessels left this port. The general health of the city is very good, and no infectious diseases have been reported.

Report from Cienfuegos—Inspection of vessels—Sanitary conditions.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Flint reports, September 23, as follows: Week ended September 22, 1906. Five original and 1 supplemental bills of health issued, 4 vessels fumigated, and 97 crew inspected; all left the port in good sanitary condition. No quarantinable diseases reported in this port; general sanitary condition of the city fairly good.